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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6840

BILL NUMBER: HB 1386

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 27, 2004

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Unused Prescription Medication at School.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Porter

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: The bill provides for unused prescription medication possessed by a school for administration to a student to be picked up by the student's parent, mailed to the student's address on file at the school, or sent home with a designated person at the end of the school year.

Effective Date: July 1, 2005.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *Summary:* Under the bill, local schools would be required to return unused prescription medication to parents of students at the end of a school year. If the school chose to mail prescriptions back to student's parents, additional expenditure would be required for postage. Were a school to notify parents to pick up the unused medication, the school could send home a printed notice with the students indicating the pickup. The bill's impact to local expenditure should be minimal.

Background: Current U.S. Postage first class rates for a package that would fit a standard-sized prescription bottle would be \$0.60 if the package were shipped within the same zip code. Certifying the package would require an additional fee of \$2.30. A return receipt would be an additional \$1.75.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: School corporations.

Information Sources: United States Postal Service: www.usps.gov/

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